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SUBJECT: COUNTERVAILING DUTIES: FLOAT GLASS

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1. THE EC COMMISSION TELLS US INFORMALLY THAT IT DOES INTEND TO SUBMIT ON BEHALF OF THE COMMUNITY A NOTE TO THE UNITED STATES ON THE US PRELININARY FINDINGS IN THE FLOAT GLASS CASE. THIS SUBJECT WAS DISCUSSED IN A MEETING OF THE ARTICLE 113 COMMITTEE DEPUTIES LAST WEEK. A FINAL TEXT IS EXPECTED TO BE APPROVED BY THE ARTICLE 113 COMMITTEE PRINCIPALS MEETING TODAY OR TOMORROW IN GENEVA ON THE EDGES OF THE TNC. ACCORDING TO OUR COMMISSION SOURCE THE MEMBER STATES ARE UNANIMOUS IN WISHING TO HAVE THE NOTE SENT. THE NOTE WILL NOT REPLAY ALL THE COMMISSION ARGUMENTS. IT WILL WELCOME THE US PRELINIARY FINDING THAT THE UNITED STATES MADE A NEGATIVE FINDING FOR IMPORTS FROM SOME MEMBER STATES BUT REGRET THAT THE FINDING WAS POSITIVE IN THE CASE OF OTHER MEMBER STATES. THE NOTE WILL STATE THAT THE COMMUNITY CONSIDERS THAT THIS IS A COMMUNITY, NOT INDIVIDUAL MEMBER STATE, RESPONSIBILITY AND THATFINAL US ACTION WOULD CALL FOR A COMMUNIT RESPONSE. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THE NOTE WILL DISCUSS THE COMMUNITY'S REGIONAL AID POLICIES. OUR

COMMISSION SOURCES DESCRIBED THE NOTE NOT AS A THREAT BUT AS AN EFFORT TO CONTINUE Q QUIET DIALOGUE WHILE MAKING CLEAR THE SERIOUSNESS WITH WHICH THE MEMBER STATES AND THE COMMISSION VIEW THIS MATTER. OUR SOURCE EXPECTS THAT THE NOTE WILL BE DELIVERED BEFORE THE END OF THIS WEEK.

2. THERE WILL BE NO NOTE ON CANNED HAMS SINCE THE POINT AT ISSUE IN THE HAM CASE IS NOT ONE OF PRINCPLE IN THE PRELININARY FINDING BUT WHETHER THE UNITED STATES WILL EXERCISE THE DISCRETION ALLOWED IN THE TRADE ACT, AND TIS IS STILL THE SUBJECT OF DISCUSSIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES.GREENWALD

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